

SENATE BILL 161

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ENROLLED BILL

— Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Ways and Means —

Introduced by **Senators Simonaire and Reilly**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County Public Schools – Office Discipline Referrals –**
3 **~~Accountability~~ Policy**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of Education ~~to develop~~
5 ~~a certain policy for accounting for certain office discipline referrals submitted in~~
6 ~~certain schools on or before a certain date; requiring a certain policy to include~~
7 ~~certain information; requiring the county board to implement a certain policy in~~
8 ~~certain public schools in a certain school year; to establish a certain committee to~~
9 ~~develop a policy on administering office discipline referrals in the county;~~
10 ~~providing for the membership and chair of the committee; requiring the~~
11 ~~committee to develop and recommend a policy and certain guidelines regarding~~
12 ~~the administration of the office discipline referrals in the county to the county~~
13 ~~board for the county board’s approval on or before a certain date;~~ requiring the
14 county board to ~~submit~~ present a certain report to the ~~General Assembly on or~~
15 ~~before a certain date~~ Anne Arundel County Delegation before the end of a certain

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 *period of time*; defining a certain term; providing for the termination of this Act;
 2 and generally relating to ~~an accountability~~ a policy by the Anne Arundel County
 3 Board of Education for office discipline referrals.

4 BY adding to
 5 Article – Education
 6 Section 7–311
 7 Annotated Code of Maryland
 8 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
 10 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

11 **Article – Education**

12 **7–311.**

13 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL” MEANS A
 14 SCHOOL FORM THAT REFERS A STUDENT TO THE SCHOOL’S ADMINISTRATIVE
 15 OFFICE TO ACT ON A DISCIPLINARY MATTER.

16 ~~(B) (1) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2011, THE ANNE ARUNDEL~~
 17 ~~COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP A POLICY FOR ACCOUNTING~~
 18 ~~FOR ALL OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRALS SUBMITTED IN SCHOOLS WITHIN THE~~
 19 ~~JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD.~~

20 ~~(2) THE ACCOUNTABILITY POLICY DEVELOPED UNDER~~
 21 ~~PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE:~~

22 ~~(I) A SYSTEM FOR ASSIGNING EACH OFFICE DISCIPLINE~~
 23 ~~REFERRAL A UNIQUE NUMBER; AND~~

24 ~~(II) A METHOD FOR PROVIDING A COPY OF THE NUMBERED~~
 25 ~~OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL TO THE INDIVIDUAL SUBMITTING THE OFFICE~~
 26 ~~DISCIPLINE REFERRAL AT THE TIME IT IS SUBMITTED.~~

27 ~~(C) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL IMPLEMENT THE POLICY DEVELOPED~~
 28 ~~UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IN ALL SCHOOLS UNDER THE~~
 29 ~~JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD IN THE 2011–2012 SCHOOL YEAR.~~

30 (B) THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL
 31 ESTABLISH A COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR
 32 ADMINISTERING OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRALS IN THE COUNTY.

1 (C) THE COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS
2 SECTION SHALL CONSIST OF:

3 (1) TWO MEMBERS OF THE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF ANNE
4 ARUNDEL COUNTY, OF WHOM:

5 (I) ONE SHALL BE AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER; AND

6 (II) ONE SHALL BE A SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER;

7 (2) TWO MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL
8 LEADERS, OF WHOM:

9 (I) ONE SHALL BE AN ADMINISTRATOR OF AN ELEMENTARY
10 SCHOOL; AND

11 (II) ONE SHALL BE AN ADMINISTRATOR OF A SECONDARY
12 SCHOOL;

13 (3) ONE MEMBER OF THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY-WIDE
14 CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE;

15 (4) ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A DESIGNEE OF THE COUNTY
16 SUPERINTENDENT; AND

17 (5) TWO MEMBERS OF THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PARENT
18 TEACHER ASSOCIATION; AND

19 (6) ONE MEMBER OF THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF
20 EDUCATION APPOINTED BY THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF
21 EDUCATION.

22 (D) THE MEMBER OF THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF
23 EDUCATION APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (C)(6) OF THIS
24 SECTION SHALL SERVE AS THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE.

25 (E) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2011, THE COMMITTEE SHALL DEVELOP
26 AND RECOMMEND A POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF
27 OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRALS IN THE COUNTY TO THE ANNE ARUNDEL
28 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE COUNTY BOARD'S APPROVAL.

29 ~~(D)~~ (F) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2013 BEFORE THE END OF
30 THE 2011 SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL
31 SUBMIT PRESENT A REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE

1 **GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE ~~GENERAL ASSEMBLY~~ ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY**
 2 **DELEGATION ON THE ~~IMPLEMENTATION AND STATUS OF THE~~ APPROVED**
 3 **OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL ~~ACCOUNTABILITY~~ POLICY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
 4 **IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.**

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 6 July 1, 2010. It shall remain effective for a period of ~~4 years~~ 1 year and, at the end of
 7 June 30, ~~2014~~ 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
 8 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.